CHAPTER 156

DRAINS

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AN ACT to empower boards of supervisors to issue drainage warrants and thereby adjust and equalize drainage assessments in certain cases after drainage assessments have been made.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Excessive assessments—adjustment. That in all cases where drainage districts have been established consisting of open or closed mains which are beneficial to the entire district, and also of laterals; and where assessments have been made or fixed based upon the estimated costs, expenses, costs of construction, fees and damages for improvements which are beneficial to the entire district and also for the estimated costs, expenses, costs of construction, fees and 8 damages for such laterals; and where the laterals may be or were 9 afterwards actually constructed for a materially less amount than 10 was so estimated for such laterals (including the costs, expenses, 11 costs of construction, fees and damages pertaining thereto), and 12 where the lands to be benefited by the laterals have been assessed for 13 their proper share of the costs of such open and closed mains and 14 outlets; and where such difference between such estimated cost of the 15 lateral and such actual cost thereof is capable of ascertainment, either by reference to the report of the commission which was appointed 16 17 to inspect and classify the lands benefited, or in some other manner, 18 then the board of supervisors or joint board of supervisors or other 19 officers having control of such drainage district shall be, and hereby are authorized and directed to return to the party or parties who 20 21 owned the land benefited and assessed for such laterals at the time the assessment was fixed and levied by the board or boards of supervisors, the respective proportional parts of such excess assessments 24 made for such laterals by the issuance of warrants drawn upon the 25 district fund.

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